

COUNTRY East Germany

REPORT NO.

TOPIC Forst-Jocksdorf Airfield

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PREPARED 3 December 1952

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1. The former glider field, located 1 to 2 km southeast of Jocksdorf, is surrounded by coniferous woods and heath. The sandy landing field has thin grass spots. After the war, the edges of the field were plowed and cultivated. On 14 September, construction work was started at the field by 45 laborers of the Preschen construction site, Bauunion, Dresden. The construction area and the surrounding woods were confiscated. Thus far, surveying work was in progress at the field, and construction work was started on a double-track railroad siding. The spur track branched off from the single-track Forst-Weisswasser railroad line about 300 meters south of the Simmersdorf railroad station. It extended east, crossing the Forst-Doebern highway and Falke Brook and, after a distance of about 1.5 km it turns to the south.

2. On 1 November, about 150 laborers worked at the field even on Sundays and holidays. No Russians were observed at the construction site. Excavation work for the spur track was completed from Simmersdorf as far as the woods. The depth of the excavation varied between 30 and 70 cm, the width being 11 meters on the straight strip and 14 meters in the curve. Uprooting work was in progress in the woods. The excavated ditch was to be filled with gravel and slag. The following materials were stored at the branch-off point: 300 tons of rails, including 150 tons which had newly arrived, 2 switches, 15 tons of ties, prefabricated sections for large temporary buildings, and field railway equipment which had previously been used at the Welzow construction site. The target date for completion of the entire spur track was fixed on 1 January 1953.

3. On 30 October, road and railway construction was in progress near Simmersdorf. Rails, ties and prefabricated sections of wooden buildings were unloaded. According to local residents, construction on an airfield was started near Jocksdorf.

4. On 8 November, about 500 men were employed at the Preschen construction site of the Forst-Jocksdorf airfield. Most of the laborers were laying a spur track, which was to be about 7 km long and which branched off in line with the Simmersdorf railroad station. The contract for the construction of the field was given to the Bauunion South. The construction superintendent was Laukus (fnu). The target date for completion of the work was not yet fixed.

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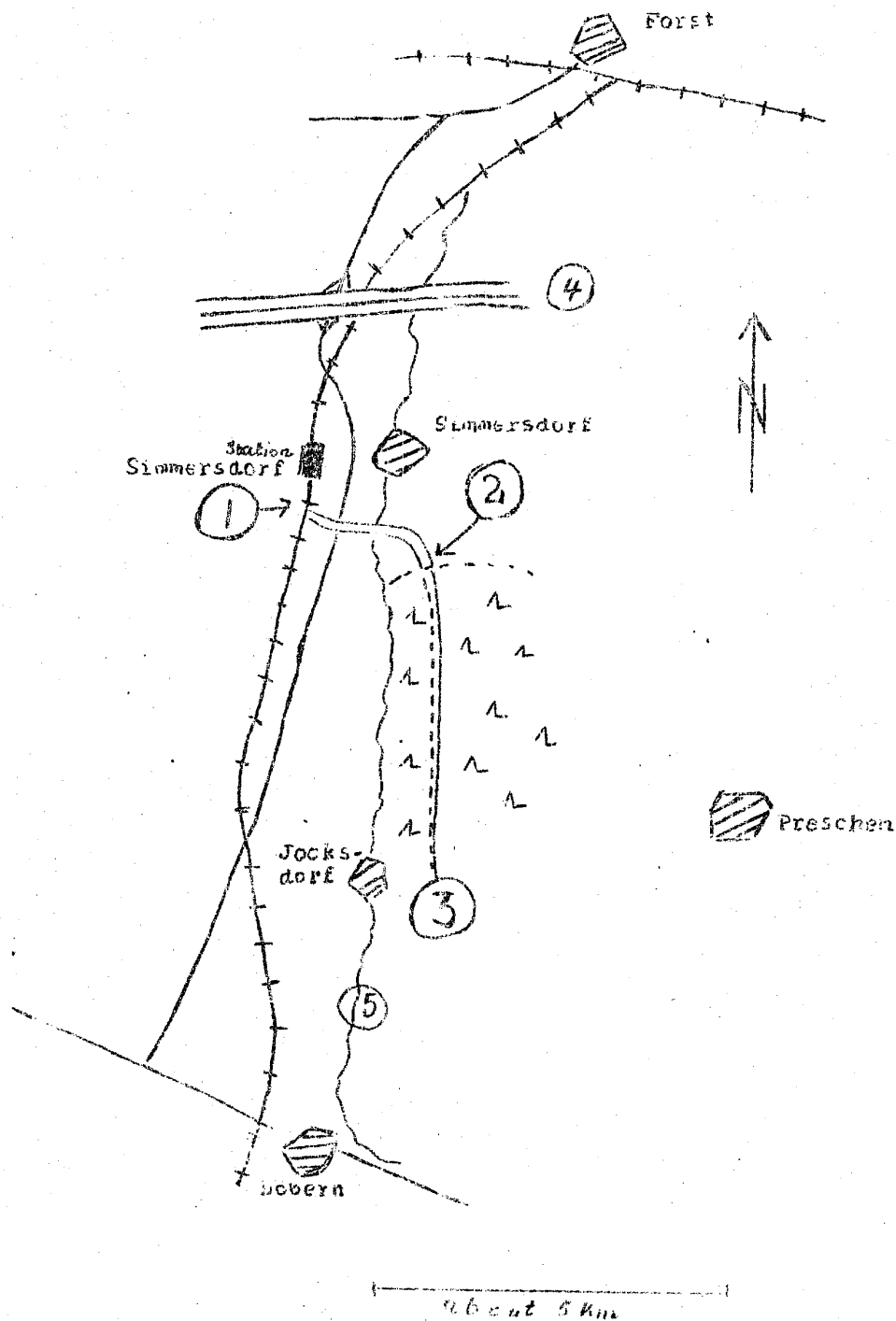
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 Comment. The report indicates that the work force at Jocksdorf airfield was increased in the course of November. The information on the storage of construction material confirms that work will continue on the spur track. For sketch of spur track, see Annex. It remains to be seen whether the scheduled target date of 1 January 1953 will be met.

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Forst-Jocksdorf Airfield


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Legend:

1. Branch-off point, about 300 meters south of Simmerdorf railroad station
2. Point where spur track is to continue into the woods
3. Former glider field
4. Autobahn
5. Walze Brook

 Spur track under construction

 Scheduled continuation of spur track

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